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SUBJ: ISRAELI ACTIVITY WITH REGARD TO NON-  
ALIGNED RESOLUTION ON MIDDLE EAST

REF: A) STATE 148354 B) CANBERRA 4204

1. JOHN KELSO, ASSISTANT SECRETARY UN BRANCH, DFA,  
MENTIONED TO EMBOFF THAT ISRAELI AMBASSADOR IN CANBERRA  
ERELL HAD BEEN PRESSING AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT VERY HARD  
ON NUMBER OF MATTERS RELATING TO MIDDLE EAST. IN THIS  
CONNECTION, KELSO NOTED THAT LETTER PRESENTED BY  
AMBASSADOR ERELL TO SECRETARY OF DFA FROM ISRAELI  
FOREIGN MINISTER ABBA EBAN WAS STRIKING IN ITS TONE  
AND STYLE. KELSO'S ONLY COMMENT ON EBAN LETTER WAS  
THAT EBAN APPARENTLY FELT HE COULD TALK "ANGLO-SAXON"  
TO AUSTRALIA AND GET AWAY WITH IT.

2. KELSO ALSO MENTIONED EFFORTS BY ERELL AND ISRAELI

CONSUL GENERAL IN SYDNEY WORKING BEHIND THE SCENES AT  
RECENT AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY (ALP) FEDERAL CONFERENCE  
TO PROMOTE PASSAGE OF PRO-ISRAELI RESOLUTION  
BY CONFERENCE. ACCORDING TO KELSON ERELL'S  
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ACTIVITIES WERE NOT APPRECIATED BY

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT AND HIS EFFORT NEARLY BACK-FIRED SINCE IT PROVOKED MEMBERS OF CONVERENCE TO PROPOSE PRO-ARAB STATEMENT. IN THE END, MIDDLE EAST RESOLUTION WAS PASSED BUT ITS FINAL FORM APPROACHED LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN RESOLUTION 242, WHICH IS MODERATE STATEMENT OF BASIS FOR SOLUTION TO MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM.

3. LABOR OFFICER WHO ATTENDED ALP CONFERENCE AS OBSERVER SAYS FACT THAT ERELL AND ISRAELI CONSUL GENERAL FROM SYDNEY LOBBIED STRONGLY FOR PRO-ISRAELI RESOLUTION AT CONFERENCE WAS WIDELY KNOWN AMONG ATTENDEES. AS FAR AS EMBASSY AWARE, HOWEVER, NO SPECIFIC PROTEST ABOUT THESE ACTIVITIES HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO ISRAELIS BY GOA. GRAHAM FEAKES, DFA ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN CHARGE OF PLANNING , SEPARATELY TOLD EMBASSY THAT WHITLAM WAS HIGHLY ANNOYED BY ISRAELI DIPLOMATS' MANEUVERS WHICH CAUGHT HIM BY SURPRISE AT CONFERENCE.  
HARROP

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